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PRICE TWO CENTS.

Magnetic Spell

HOLIDAY LINENS.

In these days of gift-buying the ornamental, the useful, the fragile and the substantial all play their part. Household linens make the most substantial presents and the most acceptable to the housewife.

Fancy bordered Damask Cloths with Napkine to match, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00 per set.

Fringed and hemstitched Damask Cloths, with Napkins to match, \$2.25, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.00 up to \$8.75 per set.

Bleached Damask Cloths in all sizes, \$-4, 10-4, 12-4; \$1.59, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$3.00, \$4.75 to \$6.00 each.

Ivory Bleached German Table Damask in beautiful desiens, \$0, 69, 75, 89c, \$1.00, \$1.25, to \$1.50 yard.

Fine Bleached /Holiday Towels with knotted fringe and hemstitched, \$6.39, 50, 59, 75 and \$9c each.

Fine Holiday Napkins, all sizes, all grades, batter values were never offered, \$9, 75, 89c, \$1.00, \$1.00, \$2.25 to \$1.50, \$2.50,

better values were never offered, 59, 75, 89c, \$1,00, \$1,25, \$1,75, \$2,50, \$3,00, \$3,50, up

51.20, 51.25, 51.75, 52.30, 53.30, 53.20, up to \$5.00 per dozen.

Fine Holiday Doylies, fu'l bleached, 59, 75. 89c, \$1.00 to \$1.95 dozen.

Colored Bordered Doylies, 50, 75c and \$1

dozen.

Check Doylies, 18 to 39c dozen.

White Bedspreads, ready hemmed, 69c.

Better grade, largest size, hemmed ready
for use, \$1.50.

Marseilles Crib Ouilt, \$1.98.

MILLER, RHOADS & CO.'S XMASSALE



THIS IS THE GIFT-HUNTERS' HARVEST-We quote Norfolk's lowest prices on Norfolk's completest collection of Holiday and every-day merchandise. Here are presents for everybody from babyhood to maturity. A sale of wearable wares and frolicsome freaks of inventive wits that eases the labor of holiday shopping and stretches the dollar for beyond its normal possibilities.

Games and Toys at Ridiculous Prices !

Phenomenal Sale of Christmas Books!

Peerless Prices in Jackets, Capes and Furs!

Holiday Handkerchiefs by Thousands!

Bewildering Array of Sterling Silver!



HOLIDAY UMBRELLAS.

A choice selection of Umbrellas purchased especially for the Holiday season. All well made, tight-roll Umbrellas; many with the patent lock frame, silk case and tassels.

Gloria Silk Umbrella, steel rod, Congo handles, with and without silver swedge, Arabian, Dresden and Weischel handles, all

Araban, Dresden and Weischel handles, all choice, such as you would expect to pay \$1.50, at our special orice of \$1.

Ladies' Taffeta and Gloria Umbrellas, on choice imported handles, sterling silver trimmed, Dresden, Pearl Deposit, Horn, etc. \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.50, \$3 and \$3.50.

English Gloria (fine colton twill) Umbrellas, with choice loop handles, 50, 59 and 75c.

Children's shound all the first colors.

Children's cheap and Umbrellas, 50, 75c, and 81.

Gents' fine Holiday Umbrels las, with good substantial handles, plain and sterling silver trimmed, with and without

sterling silver swedges: 28 inch Silk Talleta, natural handles, sterling silver trimmed, \$4.25, \$3.50, \$2.50 and \$2.00.

28-inch Gloria Umbrellas with and without sterling silver trimming, \$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00, 28-inch English Gloria cover, paragon frame, Congo handles, 75c and \$1.00.

XMAS SALE DRESS GOODS.

Reason this way: Would't you be glad to get a Dress, or a Waist, or a Skirt? Then why not GIVE as you'd get? Gladden somebody.

We've effected unusually good values all season, but tomorrow's values are simply incomparable. You'll find extra value in every yard-exceeding beauty in every fold.

· What Other Stores Sells Thus:

Black Brocade Taffeta Silk, 75c value, 59c.
Black Satin Brocade Silk, \$1 value, 75c.
24-inch Black Peau de Soie, 98c value, 75c.
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Black Peau de Soie, 98c value, 51c.
27-inch Black Satin Duchess, \$1,75 value, \$1.
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28-inch Black Satin Broademer 75c value, \$1.
29-inch Black Satin Broademer 75c value, \$1.
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20-inch Black Satin Broademer 75c value, \$1.
20-inch Black Satin Broademer 50c.
Eancy Figured Taffeta Silk, 55 value, 59c.
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S3.54 for Dress Patterns of novy due and prune shudda cloth, with handsome borders, \$2: our price, \$1.25.
May Agnes Fleming's Novels, containing her latest, Paul Ralston, Marguerite, Bessie's Fortune, Mrs. Hallam's Companion. Gretchen, Dr. Hathern's Daughters, etc, for 98c.
Augusta J. Evans' Novels—St. Elmo, Margusta J. Evans' Novels, Vashti, Infelice and At the Mercy of Tiberius, usual price, \$1.25.
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HOLIDAY MACKINTOSHES.

The good kind, that wears and gives service.

Black and Navy Blue, double cape with velvet collar; cape can be worn separately when desired. Fancy claid, double tenture. Equal to any shown at \$6.50; our price \$5. Misses' Navy Blue Inverness Mackintoshes, of good material, \$2.75.

Misses' Gray Mixed Inverness Mackintoshes, neat and serviceable, \$1.75.

HOLIDAY BLANKETS.

Ligge fleecy wool Blankets that make one feel warm to took at, oure, long fiber wool, Pink, Light Blue and Red borders.

11-4 White Golden Fierce, weighs 5 lbs, 8 oz., \$5.00 value, \$4.19, 12-4 " iccland, 90 per cent, wool, weighs 5 lbs, 8 oz., \$3.69, 10-4 " iccland, 90 per cent, wool, weighs 5 lbs, 8 oz., \$3.69, 10-4 " 100 per cent, wool, worth \$3.00, for \$2.69, 10-4 Beautiful Gray Blanket with wrapper border, \$3.19, 11-5 Large Fleecy White Blanket, \$1.25, 10-4 Fleecy White Blankets, sold at \$9c, our price 50c.

Beautiful Eiderdown Comforts of time Satteen, large size, \$3.75, \$4.75, \$5.50, \$6.50, \$7.50, \$8.50.

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GENTS' FURNISHINGS.

Christmas buyers have much to learn concerning our Furnishing Department. Perhaps you couldn't find what you wanted here last year. You are not likely to turn away again for that reason. We have a better department increased patronage shows STERLING SILVER that you are not unmindful of this fact.

HOLIDAY SUSPENDERS.—Over a thousand pairs of new, fresh webs are here for ou. Many of them put up in plass top boxes. Prices range from 10 to 65c per pair—in

THE XMAS BOOK SALE

Is attracting all Norfolk—is creating a furore in the book buying and book reading world—is being talked about on every hand the proof is seen in the crowd of eager and pleased buyers that throng our book department every day. They wouldn't be here if the books and prices weren't right.

Every day last week was a record break-

er (except the rainy day) in point of at-tendance and sales.

What Other Stores Sells Thus: Mary J. Holmes' Novels, containing her latest, Paul Ralston, Marguerite, Bessie's Fortune, Mrs. Hallam's Companion, Gretchen, Dr. Hathern's Daughters, etc,

Marion Harland's Novels, 16 different titles, usual price, \$1.50, our price, \$9c.

A. S. Roc's Novels, containing Time and Tide. True to the Last, Like and Unlike, etc, usual price, 75c; our price, 42c.

At 31c we are offering a large assortment of choice books, containing The Abbe Constantin, A Doctor of the Old School, Jan

Wedder's Wife, Slain by the Doons, Barriers Burned Away, Opening a Chestnut Burf and others by E. P. Roe.

At 25c, a selection from about 300 distinct titles, such as The Scottish Chiefs, Reveries of a Bachelor, The Old Curiosity

Shop, etc.

At 17c, a selection from about 500 titles.

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This is a beautiful edition, and is well worth three times the price.

At 9c, a well bound, well made book that is a marvel of cheapness. They are going rapidly and will last but a short time.

CHRISTMAS

STATIONERY.

We told you a good deal about our wonderful boxes of stationery last week, so will only mention a few of this week's arrivals.

SOCIETY STATIONERY—The new shape paper and envelopes, Royal Court Square, a beautiful crushed vellum paper, with medallion initial on every sheet, in gold letters. This sells at stationery stores for 50c box, but our special price is 39c box.

EGYPTIAN ANTIQUE—Another new paper in the popular Sullanna size: a plate

paper in the popular Sultanna size: a plate linished paper, put up in handsome boxes for holiday trade, 25c box.

A large, handsome box containing one full pound of good paper and envelopes, put up expecssly for us, 25c box.

TOILET ARTICLES.

We carry the finest extracts at the lowest

prices.
Garwood's Packet Perfumery, 10c basket.
Puck lamps filled with nice perfume, 10c.
Garwood's fancy large bottle toilet waters,
59, 89 and 98c.
Rogers & Gallet's violet soap, 25c cake.
Crown's soap, in all odors, 21c cake.
We have the most complete line of Elastics, that are shown at 10, 17, 25, 29 and 48c vard.

Christmas box of Soap and Perfume, 42c Spools Crochet Silk, all shades, 5 and 23c

spool. Silkatine, 100 yard spools, all colors, 5c

Bay Rum and Florida Water, 10, 25, 20, Bay Rum and Florida Water, 10, 25, 20, 48 and 50c bottle.
Lavender Water, 39c bottle.
Celluloid Soap and Powder Boxes, 39c.
A very complete line of Whisp Brooms, from 5 to 50c.

Examine our Hair Brushes at 25, 50, 75c, \$1, \$1.39 and \$2,19.
Fine Dressing Combs, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 50c.
Tooth Brushes, 5, 8, 10, 15, 19 and 25c.
We have the most complete line of Brass Picture Frames ever shown.

GIFT GIVER'S SALE CLOAKS AND FURS.

To-morrow's offerings include the very choicest and most fashionable cut and most handsomely tailored garments at prices that strongly and indelibly stamp us Norfolk's greatest value givers. Here are garments that are up-to-the-hour in style; that smacks of Fifth avenue on a Sunday morningwithin the range of every purse

What Other Stores Sells Thus:

Our Black All Wool Cheviot Tailor Made Suits, satin lined Jackets, vercaline lined

Our Black All Wool Cheviot Tailor Made Suits, satin lined Jackets, vercaline lined Skirts, \$9.39.

Black Serge Suits Jacket Taffeta lined Skirt, vercaline lined, \$15.50.

Black Broad Cloth Suits, jacket taffeta silk lined, \$20.

Black Serge Suit, lined with silk, skirt and jacket, \$22.50.

Broad Cloth Suits, silk lined at \$35.

COATS.—Big sales on our Black and Green Coats at \$7.75.

Just received another lot of Green Coats, popular numbers of ours, crice, \$10.

Another assottment of Green Coats, satin lined, at \$10, \$11.50 and \$12.50.

We are closing out a number of cdd Coats, one of a kind. If your size is among them it means a big saving to you.

Russian Blouse Coats, \$8.50, \$10.00, \$12.50, \$19.50 and \$22.00.

Roman Strive Taffeta Skirts, \$6.98.

Plaid Taffeta Silk Underskists, all the craze in New York, at \$9.25, \$11.00, \$15.50, \$15.75 and \$17.00. We are the only house in Noriolk who show these exclusive novelities.

THAT HANDKERCHIEF SALE.

Have you visited it yet? Almost as many folks as called to see us last week told us this holiday display was the larger and better assorted than any of the others on the street. It was just such remarks that we went to all the trouble for. Here's for Monday? Colored borders, all good styles, 3c value to go for 1c each. Several styles of 5c colored bordered handkerchiefs go for 3c, or two for 5c. H. S. embroidered, 100 styles to select from, go for 5c each. One lot of pure linen H. S. handkerchiefs, a wonderful bargain at 8c, to go for 5c each. Some rich effects in white and colored silk embroidered handkerchiefs, go for 5c each.

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300 styles of fine Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs and 200 patterns of H. Sr Embroidered. Also all width hems in pure linen H. Sr, would be cheap at 12 1-2c., but our shrewd buying makes them 10c each.
500 dozen of the choicest styles in Scalloped and Embroidered Handkerchiefs, some pure linen, some lace insertion, some edged with lace. A beautiful sheer linen H. S. in all widths hems. This lot was bought by an importer at great loss, as they were manufactured to sell at 20 and 25c, but again our wise buying comes in and will place them on sale for 12 1-2c.

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We still have a few of those manufactur ers' samples of all linen handkerchiefs left, the assortment contains some exclusive designs in Scalloped and Embroidered Goods, also some good lace edge effects. All are on separate cards. In this lot will be found all the good patterns for 1898; we will close the lot of 25, 30 and 35c values for 17c each.

all the good patterns for 1898; we will close the lot of 25, 30 and 35c values for 17c each. Better come early it you want them.

Some beautiful Swiss embroidered goods, also some all linen HS embroidered patterns. Such beautiful styles you cannot pass without buying, and the designs are exclusively ours. Nowhere can be found such dainty effects as in our 25c line.

We are justly proud of our better Handkerchiefs, and can safely say that we have the largest and best assortment to be found in Norfolk; Embroidered Linen, HS embroidered linen, embroidered and lace edge all linen, and many other good styles and patterns shown by us alone at 50, 75, 98c, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.69.

GREAT DOLL STORE.

The rush for Dolls last week compelled us to order from our Richmond store. We'll be in good shape to show you these big beauties Monday. These are the kind other stores pass by. Quantity limited. Entire stock rearranged and replenished. Best selling lots made stronger; slower selling lines reduced to quicken their gait. Not a doll be carried over Christmas this year.

Prices 98c, \$1.25, \$1.59, \$1.98, \$2.98, \$3.19, \$3.98, \$5.50 and \$8.49. Cheaper grades at 75, 69, 59, 50, 89, 33, 25, 19, 15, 10, 5 and 4c.

Dressed Dolls, with bonnets on, price 42c.

Boy and Girl Dolls, with sailor suits, price 50c.

Boy and Girl Dolls. Large variety; nicely Dressed. Price, 75c.

Bicycle Boy Dolls, with natural hair and face, 95c.

Clown Dolls, Brownie, Esquimo, Japanese and Stuffed Dolls, 25c.

XMAS SALE OF TOYS, GAME!

Jumping Jacks and Jim Cracks, Dolls, Toys and Games! By far Norfolk's best stock—by still farther, Norfolk's lowest prices.

Bring the little tols with you—show 'em the bucking donkey, the dancing darkey, the dog musician, the funny clowns, the juggling bears and hundreds more of amusing toys. To-morrow's sale will be a wonder.

Toy Castors, 19, 25 and 39c. Rooster Bell Toys 19c. Walking Peacocks, 37c. Bicycle Riders, 50c. Dancing Minstrels, 39c. Acrobatic Performers, Dancing Girl and Bear, Revolving Cats, Walking Monkeys, 19, 25, 50 and 89c. Sprinkling Wagons, Butchers Wagons, Street Cars, Patrol Wagons, Surreys, Phaetons, Grocery, Vagons, 9c. and \$1.69. Sewing Machines, 25c. Pols, Sad Irons, 5, 15 and 25c. Kicking Mules, 9d. Cows, Lions, Horses, Dogs and Elephants, 19, 49, 69 and 9dc. Glockenspiels, 19, 33 and 42c. Turkish Tubephones, 47 and 75c. Iron Banks, 10, 19, 25, 39 and 75c.

The Truth About Sterling Silver!

Our Magnificent Holiday Display!

Don't be lead into paying exorbitant prices for Sterling Silver simply because it is made by a certain maker whose name suggests nothing unusualwhose name is synonymous of nothing but high prices.

A STERLING SILVER GLOVE-BUTTONER FOR 10 CENTS!

All genuine sterling silver is 925-1000 pure-no purer is made.

the glove), for 49c each. Come quick, as they will not last long at that price.

Cut glass, sterling silver top Vinegrettes, S1.00 and \$1.79

What would be more acceptable for a

HOLIDAY SUSPENSE.

An entire line of agents y sameles of Lines Starfs at one-tited less than their regular states, ranging in price from 21c to \$1.25 cach. No two alike—about fifty styles in the states, ranging in price from 21c to \$1.25 cach. No two alike—about fifty styles in the states, ranging in price from 21c to \$1.25 cach. No two alike—about fifty styles in the states, ranging in price from 21c to \$1.25 cach. No two alike—about fifty styles in the states, ranging in price from 21c to \$1.25 cach. No two alike—about fifty styles in the states, ranging in price from 21c to \$1.25 cach. No two alike—about fifty styles in the states, ranging in price from 21c to \$1.25 cach. No two alike—about fifty styles in the states, ranging in price from 21c to \$1.25 cach. No two alike—about fifty styles in the states.

HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS.

An entire line of agents, caches, chemile Porticers, Taosatty Table Covers, Marked States and Filoso Caches, and States and NOTICE TO OUR CUSTOMERS:-STORE OPEN EVENINGS THIS WEEK. STORE WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY CHRISTMAS